

BRITISH ON BATHING PARADE SURPRISED BY GERMAN CHARGE

Armed With Towels Instead of Rifles, Hundreds Were Killed—"Magic" Cards Saved Two Wanderers.

PARIS, Sept. 28. A correspondent just returned from Rouen tells today how he found two "lost" British soldiers and succeeded in sending them back to their base at St. Quentin.

"While dining at a hotel I was surprised to see a British artilleryman and private of the Bedfordshire walking solemnly up to the manager, take out a small card and point to an inscription on it.

"The manager addressed them in voluble French, but they only shook their heads and said, 'Parley pas.' A waiter was then instructed to give them a seat and fetch them food.

"They told a strange tale of adventure. Both had been in Namur, and had taken part in the gradual retirement from the French frontier, and were present at the battles of Mons and St. Quentin.

"In the latter engagement the Bedfordshire suffered severely, and his friend became parted from his comrades, his rifle and his equipment, in an unsuccessful effort to save a machine-gun.

"In the course of his subsequent wanderings he met a gunner of the R. F. A., also lost. The two found that the British forces had retreated to Ham, and that they were in the midst of Germans. The sudden accident remembered that he had a card on which was written every-day phrases in English, with their French equivalents.

"Armed with this they went to a farm, and on entering pointed to the card. 'I am lost,' 'I am hungry,' and 'I am thirsty.' I am lost, I am hungry, and I am thirsty.

"Again they received a substantial meal for nothing, but this time they were given a lift to a place they could not remember, where they were put in a train, after a free meal at the station hotel. They had to change to the train which was to go to Namur, but the magic card was an open sesame to hotels, cafes and first-class railway carriages.

"They reached Rouen at dinner time, and, after a short stay at the station, entered the most imposing hotel they could see, which proved to be the one where I was staying. I took them back to the station, and set them in a train for Le Mans.

"Before leaving, the artilleryman said that when he received a peacemaker he was going to make his arms out of the words, 'I am lost,' 'I am hungry,' 'I am thirsty,' surrounded by the French and British colors.

"This same man told me that almost the whole of his battery—the 12th of R. F. A.—was left dead at Namur. While they were in position, with sun pits on the right, a greatly superior body of German artillery came up and shelled them from the left. They were obliged to swing their guns round in the open while they were being shelled, and he saw a few men escape, the gunners shoot hands and get to work.

"The outstanding point of the German advance is its extraordinary speed. Some of the West Kent were actually on bathing parade when the Germans surprised them. In this condition, with towels and soap instead of rifles and bayonets, they fell on their backs, and from 200 to 300 were killed or lying wounded in the space of a few minutes.

"That the Germans had been committing atrocities is an established fact. Many of the spectators at once rushed off to the wounded soldiers of which no first-hand confirmation can be obtained.

"I saw some terrible scenes at the station when a trainload of wounded arrived. All the sufferers were smiling, however, and a few who were too weak even to do that.

"A British officer lay with a number of privates in a truck with his right arm and leg. He was in a very bad way, but he wanted some coffee. Many of the spectators at once rushed off and returned soon afterward with jugs and even pails of coffee and cider, besides fruit and biscuits.

"I've done my bit," said a soldier without a left arm, "and now I'm going to lie in bed until they send for me to be Kaiser of Germany."

TRENTON STATE FAIR IN FULL SWING



BIG CROWDS ON THE MIDWAY

LADIES' DAY ATTRACTS BIG CROWD TO TRENTON FAIR

Innovation Proves Popular—Suffragists Present in Force.

TRENTON, Sept. 28.—"Ladies Day" at the Interstate Fair proved a great attraction today, and the fair grounds were crowded before 9 o'clock. This was the first time that the management has assigned a special day for women, and the innovation proved popular.

VETERANS OF ROER WAR RALLY TO AID ENGLAND

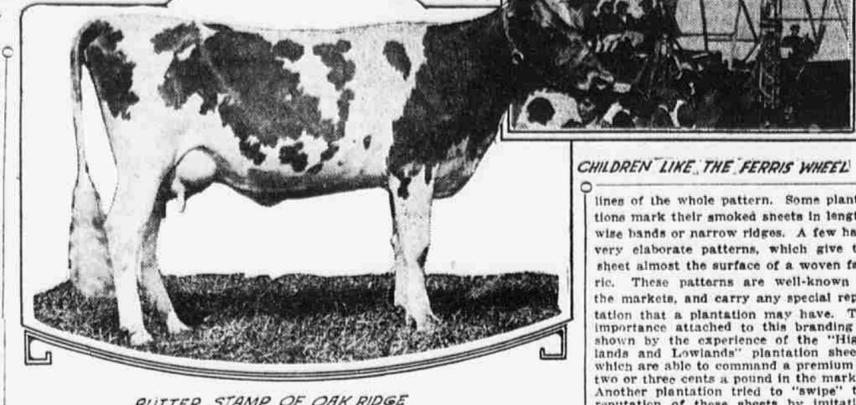
Patriotism Stirred by Appointment of New Leader.

DELAWARE LEGISLATORS UNDER LEGAL SCRUTINY

Experts Considering Eligibility of Six Members.

TOOTHBRUSHES PLENTIFUL

Labor-saving Devices Make Manufacture Easy.



CHILDREN LIKE THE 'FERRIS WHEEL'

NEW SUPPLY WILL KEEP RUBBER PRICES DOWN DESPITE WAR

Best Trees of Brazil Can Now Be Grown in Ceylon and Sumatra—Quality Is Just as Good.

One of the most exciting and momentous changes in the world of commerce, in some ways like that which accompanied the rise of synthetic indigo in Germany, and the simultaneous ruin of the indigo industry of India, is taking place in the world's rubber markets.

GROWN IN CEYLON NOW.

The impending change, which will cover much more than mere rubber itself, is due to the successful growing of the hevea, the best rubber tree of Brazil, in plantations of the Malay peninsula in Northern Sumatra and in Ceylon.

DELIBERATE FALLING PRICES.

A somewhat amusing feature of the plantation rubber situation is the fear that the increased production will lower prices faster than will be agreeable to those interested in the profits from the plantations.

lines of the whole pattern. Some plantations mark their smoked sheets in lengthy bands or narrow ridges. A few have very elaborate patterns, which give the sheet almost the surface of a woven fabric.

THE 'CEYLON BISCUIT.'

The best plantation smoked sheets are considered as good as "up-river Para." From Ceylon there comes another form of rubber sheet that is known as "Ceylon biscuit."

How far the price of rubber will fall, as the result of an increased plantation production, is nearly 200 greater than the opening bid for some years to come. The limit will be reached when the profits from the plantations are reduced to the lowest acceptable profit.

THE PLANTATION RUBBER.

Quite different is the story of plantation rubber. The trees are planted near together, and while the rubber trees are growing to producing size other and quicker-growing trees, mainly palms, are planted among them, to be cut out when the rubber trees begin to bear.

MR. CONSUMER, it's to your advantage to buy your coal NOW. We handle only the Best Coal.

POLICE DISCOVER PLANT WHERE DRUG FIENDS GET DOPE

Tenderloin Squad Run Into Place Completely Equipped for Making Products. Three Men Arrested.

A veritable habit-forming drug manufacturing plant, with machinery, mixers, vials, retorts and compressors, used, the police believe, in turning out morphine and heroin pills, has been unearthed at 431 North Eighth street by special policemen of the Tenderloin.

As late as yesterday afternoon Miss Cope spoke to Joseph Leming, the president of the school, regarding her graduation, which was to take place on next Friday.

STATE DEMOCRATS FILL VACANCIES ON LOCAL TICKETS

Washington Party Candidates Submitted in Several Districts.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 28.—Vacancies no Democratic local tickets throughout the State were filled today by the Democratic State Executive Committee at a meeting at State headquarters here.

PURCHASES OF COTTON URGED

Carriage Builders' Association In-dorse Buy-a-bale Movement.

NIGHT SCHOOL ENROLMENT 2000 MORE THAN LAST YEAR

21,000 Children Attended Opening Session Last Night.

GET THE SAFETY HABIT. SLOGAN AT THE CARNIVAL

Crowds Hear the Advice Oft Repeated at the Closing Sessions.

CASTLES CANCEL DATES

Court Proceedings Stayed When Dancers' Plans Are Set Forth.

GOES TO PRESS SEPTEMBER 30TH

Advertisement for Telephone Directory, Philadelphia and Vicinity, featuring a large illustration of the directory cover.

DR. HARTE REQUESTS \$79,000 TO FURTHER CHILD-SAVING WORK

Plans Being Prepared for Extension of Hygiene Division to Benefit Children in Congested Sections.

Plans for the extension of the child hygiene division of the Bureau of Health, to benefit poor children in congested sections, are being prepared by Doctor Harte, Director of the Department of Health and Charities.

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CUSTOM SERVICE EXPERTS SCRUTINIZE METHODS HERE

Collector Berry and Assistants Praised for Efficient System.

Method of conducting business at the local Custom House were scrutinized yesterday by a special committee, recently appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

GOOD-AND-GAY WON

NEW MARKET, Eng., Sept. 28.—Walder Astor's Good-and-Gay won the Buckenham Stakes of \$1500 today.

GARRISON WILL SEE ARMY MANEUVERS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—Secretary of War Garrison will leave Washington tonight to witness the maneuvers of the Department of the East, to be held at Rouse's Point, N. Y., commencing tomorrow.